CityManager's Weekly Update

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Employment Opportunities with the City of Belmont

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Executive Summary

Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update



During 2015, government agencies are required by Federal law to update their Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) that identifies hazards and how to lessen their impact on the community during a disaster. This week, members of Belmont Public Safety (Police and Fire) joined other local government staff at a workshop, hosted by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), on the update

process and new 2015 requirements. Community involvement is a major part of this process and staff will be reaching out to Belmont residents and businesses for input in the coming months as this update proceeds.

"Your Voice...Your Belmont"



The City's continues its public outreach efforts, as staff works with the Council to engage the community in a conversation on local service needs in This Belmont. week. information on the City's efforts was provided at the Homeview HOA meeting. and materials will available at the Earth Day Celebration on April 25th. Make sure to grab a flyer and fill out a survey if you haven't already! Staff is also working scheduling on

upcoming neighborhood coffees to keep the community informed and involved in these efforts. Do you have an upcoming meeting you'd like us to attend? Please call (650) 595-7408 to schedule a brief presentation. All community members are encouraged to continue contributing feedback on their top priorities for Belmont by taking part in our Community Survey – "Your Voice...Your Belmont", available online at www.belmont.gov/survey

2035 General Plan Update



BELMONT GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

What's New?

- Citywide mail-in survey has concluded: Citizens returned nearly 1,400 surveys by the deadline an 11% response rate. Thank You Belmont!
- The State has issued final approvals to begin the Belmont Village Specific Plan. A Consultant contract approval by the City Council is set for April 28th.
- The City's Housing Element has cleared State approvals, and is scheduled for adoption by the Council on May 12th.

What we're working on now:

- The work plans for completion of the draft General Plan and the Belmont Village Specific Plan are being synchronized so that one comprehensive environmental review will cover both documents.
- The General Plan Consultant is drafting the preliminary Preferred Plan and Policy Framework.
- Designing Community Open House and Planning Commission Study Session for draft Preferred Plan.

Watch for:

- Community survey results by end of April.
- Open House on Preferred Plan at Belmont Library from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on May 21st.
- Planning Commission study session on Preferred Plan at 6:00 pm on June 2nd at Belmont City Hall.





Traffic Operations

- Weekly visual inspections for preventative maintenance of intersections
- Visual inspection of lighted crosswalks
- Banners 1 down; 1 up
- Replaced 14 signs
- Trimmed shrubbery around signs
- Supplied traffic control for the street division on Davey Glen
- Continued with street light pole assessment
- Attended traffic signal training



Streets Division

- Marked out 14 Underground Service Alerts
- Filled 1 pothole in front of 2602 Carmelita Avenue
- Sawcut at 4 locations on Davey Glen in preparation for paving
- Paved 4 locations on Davey Glen applying 20 tons of asphalt
- Hauled out debris from the corporation yard
- Attended traffic signal training



Storm Division

- Performed twice-weekly inspection of Water Dog Lake roadway, dam, v-ditch, and dock
- Swept 132 miles of curb resulting in the acquisition of 10.53 tons of debris
- Inspected and cleaned Harbor Storm Pump Station and Ralston Storm Pump Station
- Cleaned 76 drain inlet tops
- Took monthly piezometer readings at Water Dog Lake Dam
- Worked with environmental engineering firm EOA, Inc. on visual on-land trash assessment in one location
- Completed second of four Cigarette butt assessments at five locations: O'Neill Slough Trail-South, El Camino Real @ Ralston, Old County Rd, Fifth Avenue parking lot, and Conference Center at 550 Island Parkway



Sewer Division

- Inspected and cleaned 11 sewer pump stations
- The service truck (205) responded to 7 service calls (3 litter and 4 sewer)
- Checked and emptied 8 city garbage cans throughout the city
- Jetted (Hydro Cleaned) 6,430 feet of sewer main
- Videoed 1,928 feet of sewer pipe
- Worked with contractor, Dukes Root Foaming, on root foaming (Preventive maintenance) of sewer mains in various spots throughout the city (23,067 feet of sewer main treated)
- Interviewed 4 candidates for the open Sewer Maintenance Worker position
- Videoed City Sewer Mains on Shoreway to determine capacity for future construction of 2 Hotels
- Cleaned flushable wipes from debris catcher in Ralston Ranch Pump Station (Pictured below)



Before- Ralston Ranch debris catcher



After- Ralston Ranch debris catcher

<u>City-Wide Sanitary Sewer Root Foaming Maintenance in Progress</u>

In an ongoing effort to conduct preventative maintenance on the City's sanitary sewer mains, 50,000 feet of sewer main throughout the city will be treated with root foam. Root control is an important element of an effective overall strategy to maintain sewer systems. Dukes Root Foaming (City's contractor) will be conducting the root foaming and is anticipated to be complete within three weeks.

Dukes Root Control staff will place door hangers the week prior to work, and notification will be posted to Nextdoor.com to inform residents of upcoming treatment. Dukes Root Foaming will notify residents if they need access to an easement on their property. If residents have any questions, they may contact the Public Works Department at (650) 595-7425.



<u>City Receives Grant from Keep America Beautiful and Partners with San Mateo County on Cigarette Litter Prevention Programs</u>

The Keep America Beautiful (KAB) campaign is comprised of, local governments, business improvement districts, downtown associations, parks and recreation areas, and other organizations dedicated to eradicating litter and beautifying communities are receiving grants. Since the establishment of the CLPP, communities in 49 states and the District of Columbia have implemented the program to reduce cigarette litter.

Recently, The City of Belmont's Public Works Department received a grant from Keep America Beautiful for the Cigarette Litter Prevention Program. The City will implement the program by raising awareness for cigarette butt litter prevention utilizing social media outlets, signage, and Public Works outreach events. Pocket ashtrays and portable auto ashtrays will also be given away during public events to encourage smokers to properly dispose of their cigarette butts. Additionally, Installation of cigarette butt receptacles will be placed in designated areas and transitional points where high counts of butt litter are found.

The City has also partnered with San Mateo County Water Pollution Prevention Program on the cigarette butt abatement initiative-pilot program. Staff from the City and San Mateo County started the cigarette butt assessment in the beginning of April. This assessment will be comprised of preliminary litter scans prior to receptacle and sign installation, a follow-up scan for program progress, and a final sustainability scan.

Assessment sites throughout Belmont have been chosen based on the high cigarette butt counts from on-land cleanups, creek cleanups, and the Visual On-Land Trash Assessment. Included in the program, the sites are broken down into the following categories: Receptacle only sites, Receptacle and sign sites, Sign only sites, and Control sites (assessment only). This information will provide how well the program is working in the different locations. Belmont has a total of 13 sites for the program, and an additional pre-program site. After the preliminary assessments have been conducted, receptacles and signage will be placed among the designated sites by June 1st.

Business District/Downtown Sites

Carlmont Shopping Center (by creek): Receptacle and signage

Fifth Avenue Parking Lot: Receptacle only

1050 El Camino Real: Signage only

Near The Lariat on El Camino Real: Signage only

Near 891 Ralston Avenue: Control site only (no installations)

Ralston at Old County Road: Control site only (no installations)

707 Old County Road: Receptacle only (pre-program, receptacle already installed)

Recreation

O'Neill Slough-southern portion: Receptacle and signage

Belmont Conference Center-550 Island Parkway: Receptacle only

Barrett Community Center by Ralston: Signage only Twin Pines Park: Control site only (no installations)

Sports Complex-dirt parking lot near bleachers: Control site only (no installations)

Vista Point: Receptacle only

O'Neill Slough (between Sports Complex and Autobahn Motors): Signage only

Below are photos from a few sites during the cigarette assessment. During this first cigarette butt assessment 1,817 items were found along the assessment areas.



1050 El Camino Real



Old County Road



707 Old County Road



Fifth Avenue Parking Lot

Cigarette butts are the most commonly found item during Belmont creek cleanups. They are made of synthetic plastic and contain toxic chemicals that are released into storm water, which then ends up in storm drains, creeks, and ultimately the Bay. Be a part of the cigarette butt litter prevention brigade and dispose of your butts responsibly.



Click <u>here</u> to receive a free keychain ashtray

Gearing up for the 2015 Earth Day Celebration

This year's Earth Day Celebration is right around the corner and it will be bigger and better than the last!

After dropping off your E-Waste and other recycling goods, enjoy the soothing sounds of native flutes as you stroll through the Meadow with your frozen yogurt, visiting the various Earth Day stations.

There will be a plethora of information from many agencies on water conservation, sustainability, recycling, drought-tolerant landscaping, growing organic at home, and much, much more!



Don't forget to bring the kids! They will be buzzing with fun as the bees make their appearance this year with the help of the Bee Keeper's Guild of San Mateo County. Youngsters will also have fun learning about pollution prevention with Edventure More's Wackv Watershed, and there will be hands-on activities. Also, be sure to have them visit the Book Mobile.

A big thank you to our partners, as many resources and activities will be available to the community during this event.

Do you want to get involved? We can always use more event staff! Please contact dlynn@belmont.gov if you would like to volunteer your time for this event.

ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS/SAN CARLOS AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY COMMUNITY WORKSHOP AND OPEN HOUSE

YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

The Four Corners Working Group Invites You To Attend The Second Workshop And Open House For The Proposed Alameda De Las Pulgas/San Carlos Avenue Corridor Study.

A geographically named 4
Corners Working Group was
convened as a multijurisdictional committee to
recommend solutions to
various traffic concerns
involving pedestrian, bicycle
and vehicular circulation
issues through the Alameda
de las Pulgas/San Carlos
Avenue corridor in the
vicinity of Carlmont High
School and Tierra Linda
Middle School.

The working group includes staff and elected members of the Cities of Belmont and San Carlos, the Sequoia Union High School District, and the San Carlos School District. In the corridor area, Alameda de Las Pulgas and San Carlos Avenue serve as the main thoroughfares for residents heading to retail destinations in San Carlos and Belmont, as well as regional destinations 101 on Highway and Interstate 280.

The Cities of Belmont and San Carlos along with the San Carlos School District and the Sequoia Union High School District are sponsoring a traffic study of the Alameda de las Pulgas/San Carlos Avenue corridor between Ralston Avenue and Dartmouth Avenue-Club Drive. The study has evaluated vehicular circulation and access, pedestrian safety, bicycle facilities and parking availability in the corridor. Through its work with the Technical Working Group, the consultant has developed several alternatives intended to increase safety and convenience in traveling through the corridor and accessing Carlmont High School and Tierra Linda Middle School.

Please join us at the Community Workshop

April 30th, 2015

6:30 – 7:00 p.m. Community Open House 7:00-8:30 p.m. Presentation and Public Input

Location: Tierra Linda Middle School Library, 750 Dartmouth Ave, San Carlos, CA 94070

We want to hear from you!

Public participation is an important and ongoing part of the study. This will provide the opportunity for your input on both current traffic/transportation problems in the corridor as well as your feedback on the alternatives. Before and after the presentation, the public is invited to look through maps and displays and speak to team members who will be available to answer questions.









Parks and Recreation

Multi-Stream Waste Enclosures at O'Donnell Park

This week park maintenance staff rolled out two more sets of the multi-stream waste enclosures at O'Donnell and Alexander Parks. The waste enclosures bring both parks compliance with into mandated waste management program that seeks to sort waste appropriately and keep refuse out waterways. Recycling. compost and garbage are now



independently sorted for proper disposal.

Tutorial signage on all of the waste enclosures offers tips on which receptacle to use for waste.

Median Maintenance



Parks maintenance staff was also busy with median maintenance this week. Park maintenance staff maintains the shrubbery/trees and irrigation systems throughout the City of Belmont medians. Shrubs and trees are pruned regularly and the irrigations systems are routinely monitored for leaks and damage from vehicles.





Trailwork Begins Again at Waterdog Lake Open Space





Hello trail lovers of all kinds. As you may know the City completed the spillway bridge and a group effort of city employees and volunteers have nearly completed the wall and path to bypass the infamous Paver Section.

Now its time to team up and do some much needed maintenance work throughout the entire trail system. The City continues to support us but Volunteer Trailwork is the only way we can keep the natural feel while still keeping it safe in reality and perception for all users.

When: See Schedule below.

We need YOU! Sign up Today!

Where: Work will start at different locations depending on the trail selected for that day.

What to Expect: Usually pretty serious work for about 2-3 hours. Details will be provided via email after you sign up. We provide most of the tools, you wear sturdy clothes and gloves Generally we will be working on brush so cutting and moving Broom, Chapparal Etc. We work to be careful but Poison Oak is something we defend against.

Who Can Attend: Youth 16-18 with Parent, all adults willing to work pretty hard with lots of benefits.

Who to Contact: Kevin Sullivan - Belmont Resident, MTB Enthusiast, P&R Commissioner,

Trailwork Coordinator. Ksullyman@Gmail.com

Dates & Times: Tue 6pm-8ish Mar 31, Apr 14, 28, May 12, 26, Jun 9, 23 Sat 9AM-Noonish Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6

Sign up to get details!

"Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Community"

CONGRATULATIONS MARY MORRISSEY PARDEN!

BELMONT CHAMBER of COMMERCE

State of California Senate District 13: Woman of the Year

Thank you California State Senator Jerry Hill for recognizing Mary Morrissey

Parden with the prestigious Woman of the Year award. Mary is currently the

President of the Belmont Chamber of Commerce who practices insurance

with Farmers Insurance at the Carlmont Shopping Center. She was both surprised and honored on April 10th with her family and friends, the Chamber Board of Directors and the entire Belmont City Council present at Senator Hill's San Mateo District Office. Congratulations Mary and keep up the great work!





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Save the Date

San Mateo County

★ 11th Annual ★

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS DAY

Saturday, June 6, 2015

10AM-2PM, San Mateo County Event Center 1346 Saratoga Avenue, San Mateo

Arrive BEFORE 11am for FREE Parking & FREE Admission to the County Fair!

First-Aid, Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services and Equipment Demonstrations

★Learn How to Put Together a Disaster Plan and Emergency Kit!★

For more information:

Office of Emergency Services at (650) 363-4790 Office of Supervisor Adrienne J. Tissier (650) 363-4572









Community Calendars

Twin Pines Community Center

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Belmont Public Library

